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99/xx. The multi-year funding framework and the support budget estimates for the biennium 2000-2001

The Executive Board

A. THE MULTI-YEAR FUNDING FRAMEWORK

1. Reaffirms its decisions 98/1, 98/23 and 99/1;

2. Notes the report of the Administrator on the multi-year funding framework 2000-2003 (DP/1999/30) and the strategic results framework (DP/1999/CRP.12);

3. Welcomes the significant achievement of UNDP both at headquarters and in the field in developing the multi-year funding framework;

4. Expresses its deep concern about the continuing overall decline in the level of core resources and the continuing dependence on a limited number of donors;

5. Notes with appreciation the efforts of those Governments that have maintained, maintained at a high level or increased their contributions to UNDP, and encourages all Governments in a position to do so to increase their contributions and/or meet their existing commitments to UNDP and to help to put UNDP funding on a predictable, continuous and assured basis and to reach the annual funding target of $1.1 billion;

6. Requests the Administrator, in consultation with the Executive Board, to continue to develop and refine the multi-year funding framework as a strategic management tool to bring greater focus and visibility to UNDP at corporate and country levels, taking into account the views expressed by the members of the Executive Board at the third regular session 1999;

7. Requests the Administrator to continue to conduct informal consultations with the Executive Board on the further implementation of the multi-year funding framework cycle, including the scope and content of the reporting system, which will start with the submission to the Executive Board of the first results-oriented annual report system to define clearly the outcomes and results of UNDP programmes, and to develop suitable indicators for measuring outcomes and results;

8. Stresses the importance of the full engagement of the programme countries in the elaboration, monitoring and reporting of the strategic results framework;

9. Also requests the Administrator to present to the Executive Board at its annual session 2000 proposals for revising and updating the multi-year funding framework, as required, indications of how lessons learned from one multi-year funding framework cycle will be taken into account in the subsequent cycle and proposals for the structure and timing of the multi-year funding framework report;

10. Further requests the Administrator to present every year, at the third regular session, an updated resources allocation framework on the basis of table 4 included in the integrated resources framework (DP/1999/30);

11. Further requests the Administrator to present strategic resource frameworks for the funds administered by UNDP and to incorporate them into the multi-year funding framework;

B. THE BIENNIAL BUDGET

12. Takes note of the report of the Administrator on the biennial support budget estimates for the biennium 2000-2001, which is an integral part of the integrated resource framework of the multi-year funding framework, as contained in document DP/1999/31 as well as the concerns expressed by delegations during the formal session;

13. Approves the proposals of the Administrator, as contained in paragraphs 38 to 47 of document DP/1999/31, on post resources allocated to country offices by region;

14. Approves the proposal by the Administrator, as contained in paragraphs 48 to 55 of document DP/1999/31;

15. Also approves the proposal by the Administrator, as contained in paragraphs 112 and 113 of document DP/1999/31, on the United Nations House programme, where appropriate, ensuring that there will be no additional burden on the host countries;

16. Takes note of the report of the Administrator on the current status of cost-recovery practices, as contained in paragraphs 114 to 120 of document DP/1999/31, and requests the Administrator to consult with the Executive Board

on cost-recovery practices in the light of the review carried out by the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions;

17. Requests the Administrator, if the situation requires and taking into account the resource situation, to consult with the Executive Board as to whether a revised 2000-2001 budget is required and requests him to continue to make every effort to contain both the administrative and programme support costs at headquarters and in the field;

18. Approves the proposals of the Administrator contained in paragraphs 105-111 of document DP/1999/31 concerning the separation reserve amounting to $7 million, and, taking into account the comments of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions contained in paragraph 17 of document DP/1999/33, approves $1.5 million for the transitional measures reserve;

19. Approves gross appropriations in the amount of $585,371,600 for the purposes indicated below and resolves that the income estimates of $67,127,000 shall be used to offset the gross appropriations, resulting in estimated net appropriations of $518,244,600:

2000-2001 biennial support budget

(thousands of United States dollars)

Programme support:	
Country offices	272 341.9
Headquarters	59 694.5
Subtotal	332 036.4
Management and administration	117 193.6
Support to operational activities of the United Nations:	
Country offices	100 729.2
United Nations Development Group Office	2 583.1
Inter-Agency Procurement Services Office	3 601.1
United Nations Volunteers	29 228.2
Subtotal	136 141.6
Total gross appropriation	585 371.6
Less: Estimated income	67 127.0
Estimated net appropriations	518 244.6

20. Authorizes the Administrator to redeploy resources between appropriation lines up to a maximum of 5 per cent of the appropriation line to which the resources are redeployed;

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21. Takes note of the report of the Administrator on the biennial support budget estimates for the biennium 2000-2001 for the United Nations Capital Development Fund, the United Nations Revolving Fund for Natural Resources Exploration, and the United Nations Development Fund for Women, as contained in document DP/1999/31;

22. Approves gross appropriations for each of the funds as follows:

2000-2001 biennial support budgets

(thousands of United States dollars)

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Total appropriations:	13 594.0	740.0	11 612.1

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